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MAJUMDAR et al.

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OF HUMAN BONE MARROW-
DERIVED CD105+ CELLS BY
BMP**

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Sir:

**DECLARATION OF MANAS MAJUMDAR
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

1. I, Manas Majumdar, declare that I am one of the named applicants of the above-identified application and am one of the co-inventors of the subject matter described and claimed therein.
2. I have been advised that the United States Patent Office has rejected the claims of the above-identified application as obvious in view of International Patent Publication WO/29552.
3. I make this declaration to establish that prior to May 25, 2000, Elisabeth Morris and I completed in this country the invention described and claimed in the above-identified application.

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